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House Resolution 409

By: Representatives Bordeaux of the 162<sup>nd</sup>, Stephens of the 164<sup>th</sup>, Jackson of the 161<sup>st</sup>, Day of the 163<sup>rd</sup>, Bryant of the 160<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and honoring the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee, Chairman Dave Roberts,
- 2 the 2005 St. Patrick's Day Parade's Grand Marshal Daniel Sheehan, and inviting them to
- 3 appear before the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, the 2005 St. Patrick's Day Parade in Savannah will mark the 181st occasion on
- 5 which this festive event has been held in this historic city with proud Irish roots; and
- 6 WHEREAS, this celebration was begun in 1824 by the Hibernian Society of Savannah,
- 7 which was formed to aid the early Irish immigrants to Georgia; and
- 8 WHEREAS, many Irish organizations have contributed to the longevity and success of this
- 9 celebration, and the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee, which was formed in 1926, has
- 10 carried on the tradition for the past 79 years; and
- WHEREAS, according to one of Ireland's former Prime Ministers, "Ireland is where strange
- 12 tales begin and happy endings are possible," and the same holds true for the beautiful City
- 13 of Savannah; and
- 14 WHEREAS, this historic annual parade is among the largest Irish celebrations in the nation
- and it is held in the lovely historic district and is always a joyous and meaningful occasion
- 16 for the citizens of Savannah, Chatham County, and the State of Georgia.
- 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 18 this body recognizes and honors the members of the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee,
- 19 Chairman Dave Roberts, and the 2005 St. Patrick's Day Parade's Grand Marshal Daniel
- 20 Sheehan for their tireless efforts in organizing and their great work on behalf of the 2005 St.
- 21 Patrick's Day Parade and their many important contributions to their community and state
- and invite them to appear before this body on a date and at a time designated by the Speaker
- 23 of the House of Representatives.

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized

- 2 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the St. Patrick's Day Parade
- 3 Committee Chairman Dave Roberts and the Grand Marshal of Savannah's 2005 St. Patrick's
- 4 Day Parade Daniel Sheehan.